REMARKS

This Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is submitted in order to re-submit a corrected Listing of Claims.

Applicants respectfully submit that this correction of the claim listing addresses all the issues raised in the Notice. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Amendment and the corrected section be forwarded to the Examiner for examination.

If there is any question with respect to entry of the corrected section, kindly contact the undersigned attorney.

In view of the amendment to claim 18 and for the reasons set forth in the Amendment dated April 12, 2004, applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for immediate allowance.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfylly submitted,

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		A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.			
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